

# Welcome

Thank you for choosing *Passamaquoddy History and Culture: A Traveling Teaching Kit for Grades 5-8*.

The National Park Service and the Abbe Museum collaborated to create this traveling kit. This hands-on kit uses student-centered activities and tactile elements to introduce students to the richness of Passamaquoddy culture and history. This kit does not attempt to fully teach all of Passamaquoddy history. Rather, these lessons and activities should be used as an introduction that will hopefully inspire you and your students to learn more about Passamaquoddy and other Wabanaki history.

We hope that you and your students enjoy using this kit and that you begin to look at Passamaquoddy history in a whole new way.

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*Creating a Timeline* reproducible worksheet  
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Timeline Template #2  
Timeline Template #3  
*Teacher's Guide to Dates and Measurements*  
*Answer Key to Conversions* worksheet  
Sample Timeline  
*Teacher's Guide to Contact Period*

## **Lesson 2: Art Everyday—Artifacts!**

Meet Donald Soctomah, *Tribal Historic Preservation Officer*  
Background information  
Artifact casts  
*Reading an Artifact* reproducible worksheet  
*Artifact catalogue*

## **Lesson 3: Ash and Birchbark: The As and Bs of Traditional Baskets**

Meet Jeremy Frey, *Basketmaker*  
Background information  
*Basket Research* reproducible worksheet  
*Parts of a Basket* and *Basket Weave* laminated pages  
*Classroom Basket Worksheet*: for teacher use  
Fancy, birchbark and work baskets  
Samples of basketry materials: ash strips, sweetgrass braid, piece of birchbark  
Photos of *Minnie Fouts* and *Moccasins made by Minnie Fouts* (optional assesment)

## **Lesson 4: Tomah Joseph: A Traditional Passamaquoddy Birchbark Artist**

Reproducible *Tomah Joseph* focus worksheets: Log Holder, Picture Frame,  
Magazine Holder, Handkerchief Box  
Photos of four *Tomah Joseph* objects  
Teacher's Guide to Focus Worksheets

## **Lesson 5: Connections to the Land: Resources and Practices**

Meet Martin Dana, *Asst. Director, Environmental Department, Indian Township*  
Background information  
*Resources and Practices* reproducible worksheet  
*Resource Bag* containing Moose Hide, Hare Hide, Feathers, Birchbark, Spruce  
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Harpoon, Bone Awl, Sinew, Sweetgrass Braid, Cattail Cordage  
*Possible Uses* laminated cards

## **Lesson 6: Learning From Stories**

Meet David A. Francis & Madonna Soctomah, *Passamaquoddy*  
*Language Educators*  
Background information  
Audio CD of The Little Spark and the Little Mouse  
Reproducible transcription of The Little Spark and the Little Mouse  
Koluskap and the Windmaker story reproducible worksheet  
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## **Lesson 7: Trading Places**

Meet Alison Lewey, *Creator & Owner of Lewey's Eco-Blends™*  
Background information  
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*Exchange Rates* laminated worksheets  
*Trading Map* and *Mapping Your Travels* reproducible worksheets  
*Wabanaki Homelands* laminated map  
*Wabanaki Homelands* reproducible worksheet  
*Trading Outcomes* reproducible worksheet (Extension)  
*European Trade Cards* (Extension)

## **Lesson 8: Epidemics: A Story of Loss**

Meet Elizabeth Neptune, *Director, Indian Township Health Center*

Background information

*Community Background Information* worksheet

*Community Member Profile* reproducible worksheets

*Impacts of Disease* reproducible worksheet

*Family Identification* pieces

## **Lesson 9: Talking Politics**

Meet Wayne Newell, *Educator, Native Scholar and Director of the Indian Township Bilingual Program*

Background information

Audio CD of recording of the *2002 Speech Made by Governor Doyle* and the *1887 Speech Made by Lewis Mitchell*

*2002 Speech Made by Governor Doyle* reproducible worksheet

*1887 Speech Made by Lewis Mitchell* reproducible worksheet

*Sample T Chart* for teacher use

*Major Points* for teacher use

## **Final Assessment**

## **Purchasing Information for Kit Objects**

## **Teacher Evaluation**

## **Contact Information**

## **Additional Resources**

Video: Our Stories: The Healing Woods, Indian Township, Maine, MPBN (1998)

Resource book: The Wabanakis of Maine and the Maritimes, American Friends Service Committee (1989)